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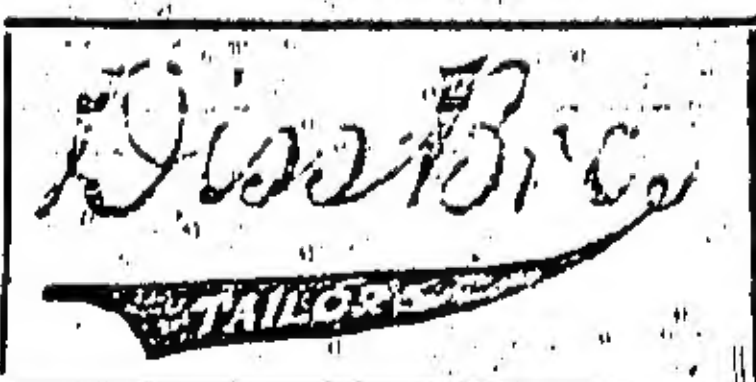
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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

PARLIAMENT.

PREMIER'S SPEECH.

LONDON, Feb. 11.

Continuing the speech reported in earlier telegrams, Mr. Lloyd George stated that the Government were already taking gigantic steps to prepare a housing programme, ordering material on the largest scale, and thus providing employment. The development of ways and communications, afforestation, and land settlement would do likewise, while enriching the country. He deprecated recent attempts to undermine confidence in Trade Unionism, causing indiscipline, and making collective bargaining impossible. That way anarchy lay, which was the goal these men desired.

Any demands advanced with a view to removing legislative grievances, the Government would examine carefully; but not demands pressed with ulterior motives to hold up the community or overthrow the existing order or destroy good Government and relying on brute force. He would say on behalf of the Government with all solemnity that they were determined to fight Prussianism in the industrial world exactly as they fought it on the continent, namely, with the whole might of the nation.

Here there was interruption by Mr. Adamson, who called out: "Employers as well."

Mr. Lloyd George: Employers or employed.

Continuing, the Premier said the first necessity was peace. There would be no settlement in the world until peace was secured.

The Premier, continuing declared he did not fear unemployment if they acted rationally. There were great arrears in shipbuilding, railway construction, textile, furniture, and the building trades to be made up. Consequently there was no danger of unemployment provided that confidence was restored. The absence of confidence breeds upheavals which create, aggravate, and perpetuate unemployment. If the cost of production goes so high that the purchasing capacity of the community is reduced, or we are thrown out from the world's markets, disastrous unemployment must ensue; and both of these things will happen if cost of production is too high.

Increased prices diminished the individual's purchasing capacity, while diminished purchasing capacity would create unemployment and destroy our overseas trade, upon which the country was more dependent than any other country in the world. The Bolshevik movement in Russia fitly illustrated this. The workers there were earning sumptuous wages, and seemed at last coming into their own, but when the workman took a "five" to the shop, he could not buy what is sold in Britain.

NAVAL BONUSES.

LONDON, Feb. 12.

The Admiralty announces gratuities to the Royal Navy and Royal Marines ranging from £720 to £200 for admirals and £140 to £20 for other officers for the first year's service, with increments ranging from £3 to ten shillings for each additional month's service. Officers of the naval and volunteer reserves will receive a gratuity of 100 days pay for the first year's service and of 50 days pay for each subsequent year.

THE SILVER MARKET.

SINGAPORE, Feb. 13.

The silver market is quiet.

JAPAN STIFFENS CONSCRIPTION LAW.

While Lloyd George is demanding the abolition of conscription in Europe, the Japanese Government is amending its conscription law to make its application more universal. The War Office authorities state that the revised Conscription Act contains the entire abolition of the privileges of deferring conscription, operative from December 1st next, but those who have already been accorded these privileges will not be affected. The revised Act also stipulates the extension of the term of the deferment privilege to 37 years of age for those who have been resident in any of the specified foreign countries since before attaining 23 years of age, and alters the age limits for applicants for the One Year Volunteer Service to from 17 to 21 years of age.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

JELICOE TURNS AUTHOR.

MORE ABOUT JUTLAND BATTLE.

LONDON, February 11th.

Admiral Jellicoe has published a book dealing with the activities of the British Navy during the war. One-third of the book is devoted to the Battle of Jutland. In summing up the lessons of the battle, Admiral Jellicoe dwells on "the danger involved in leaving too much to chance in Fleet action, because our Fleet is the one and only factor vital to the existence of the Empire, as indeed to the Allied cause. We have no reserve outside the Battle-Fleet which could in any way replace it in the event of disaster, or even should its margin of superiority be eliminated."

Moreover, Admiral Jellicoe knew that his ships were inadequately protected with armour compared with the German vessels of the battle-cruiser type, while the German Fleet at Jutland was far better off in destroyers, in addition to their possession of a very efficient armour-piercing shell.

When the Battle-Fleet approached, there was a difference in reckoning between the British Battle-Fleet and the Battle-Cruiser Squadrons, due to the latter being engaged for several hours and having repeatedly altered their course.

Hence, instead of the enemy being encountered right ahead, he appeared on the starboard bow.

[The remainder of the message was not received up to the time of going to press.]

ARMISTICE RENEWAL.

GERMAN OMISSIONS.

PARIS, February 11th.

At yesterday's sitting of the Supreme Council, M. Klotz stated that the Germans had hitherto handed over only an insignificant number of the title-deeds seized in the invaded territories, and had refused to consider measures for the restitution of sequestered property of Allied subjects in Germany.

He said that the question of the blockade had been raised by the statement of Admiral Hope that the Germans had not handed over submarines and merchantmen, the surrender of which had been demanded by the last Armistice Convention, and the feeding of Germany could not be arranged unless her "a" could be placed at the disposal of the Allies.

General Thwaites, for the Allies, had been appointed to study the problems connected with the Armistice.

GERMAN SITUATION.

LONDON, February 11th.

A German message states:—The outbreak in Berlin on February 8th, was only partly of a Spartacist character. It originated in an attempt to clear the thoroughfares, where trafficking of arms, property, and money also had become a nuisance. It was also intended to raid the coinage mints.

Unexpectedly strong resistance compelled the troops to summon reinforcements, with whose aid order was restored by evening.

A state of siege was proclaimed at Kiel on February 7th, in consequence of the continuance of Spartacist disorders.

COPENHAGEN, February 11th. Government troops entered Bremen without any resistance.

A mind-sweeping fog has occupied Bremerhaven. Eighty persons were arrested, including the leader of the Soviet.

Cologne, February 11th. Professional classes at Elberfeld and Barmen have agreed to strike if either town is threatened with an outbreak of Spartacism.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

SCHEME DEVELOPING.

PARIS, February 8th.

A Havas message states:—The League of Nations Committee met to discuss the draft Covenant, which embodies the best points in the American, French and British schemes, the principal subject being compulsory arbitration for the prevention of war.

The French Delegates are particularly interested in the question of what measures nations suddenly attacked shall have the right to take in self-defence.

An interesting feature of the Committee's proceedings is the fact that several useful suggestions have been made by the Japanese Delegates, expressing a great desire to co-operate in bringing a harmonious plan, before the full Conference. Representatives of Italy and Greece are expected to fall into agreement almost immediately.

U.S. NAVAL PROGRAMME.

WASHINGTON, February 11th.

The House of Representatives voted 269 million dollars for the completion of the first Naval Building Programme authorised in 1918.

A debate on the new Naval Programme was precipitated by an attempt of the Democratic leaders to add a new three year programme to the present Naval Appropriations Bill without making specific appropriations for the purpose.

The House sustained the point of order raised by a Republican leader against authorising construction for which no appropriation was made.

Then Mr. Padgett, the Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, introduced an amendment providing for pre-emptory appropriation so that building should be authorized.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

PARLIAMENT.

LABOUR PLEASED WITH KING'S SPEECH.

LONDON, February 11th.

The Premier delivered an important speech in the House of Commons this afternoon in the course of the debate on the Address, which was moved and seconded by Colonel Sir Rhys Williams, D.S.O., and Lieut. Commander Doan, V.C., respectively.

Mr. W. Adamson, the Chairman of the Labour Party, expressed his satisfaction at the passage of the King's speech, and his confidence in the Premier's leadership against poverty, unemployment, inadequate housing and other remediable ills.

REPORTS OF COMMISSIONS DUE. The Premier said, in the course of his speech, (several portions of which had not come to hand at the time of going to press), that he hoped very shortly to get the reports of the Allied Commissions on the Responsibility for the War and for Breaches of Laws of War.

THE INDEMNITY QUESTION. As regards the indemnity to be imposed on enemy countries, the Premier assured the House that no part of that question had been lost sight of. It was being dealt with by an Allied Committee and the Government would act on its report. (Cheers.)

PEACE TREATY AND THE PARLIAMENT. The Peace Treaty would undoubtedly be submitted to Parliament for ratification, but, previously, the British representatives at the Peace Conference must follow the same course as the representative of the other countries, and provisionally sign the Treaty.

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS. The progress of the League of Nations had been exceedingly satisfactory. There was a genuine feeling in favour of the League, especially amongst the small nations, who felt they would be very helpless without the protection which the League could afford them in future.

GENERAL AGREEMENT. The draft had not yet been completed, but as far as he was informed, all the representatives of the great and small Powers were completely agreed, up to the present. Only a few unimportant points remained.

The House would be glad that an experiment full of hope for the future would be tried with the full assent of all the nations represented at the Peace Conference. (Cheers.)

BRITISH LABOUR UNREST. Dealing with Labour unrest, he declared that the Government were determined to remove the cause of the unrest, and to remove the cause of the unrest, and to remove the cause of the unrest.

SOME OF THE CAUSES. Some of the causes of unrest were legitimate; some were not. Unrest was due, firstly, to the strain of the war on the nerves of the workers who had worked long hours during the war; but this was a vanishing cause.

The second cause was the genuine fear of unemployment which only those who had suffered from knew the terror of.

THE GOVERNMENT'S BUSINESS. The third cause involved a number of social conditions, including bad and insufficient housing, and restrictions on luxuries and amusements. It was the Government's business to remove these grievances.

HOURS OF LABOUR AGREED UPON. In trades affecting three million workers agreements had been already reached as regards the hours of labour.

"The Government would welcome investigation into the whole of the causes of industrial unrest, and was prepared to submit certain suggestions which could be discussed on the Amendment to the Address."

IMMEDIATE GOVERNMENT ACTION. The present Parliament was irrevocably pledged to deal with the causes of unrest, and the Government was immediately introducing Bills concerning housing, health, the development of transport, revival of rural life, land settlement of soldiers and others, reclamation, and afforestation.

ONE WAY OF MAKING UNEMPLOYMENT. Proceeding, the Premier elaborated the argument that increased costs are inevitably passed on to another industry, eventually reaching the stage at which industry was crushed and appalling unemployment for everyone. Every section of the community should remember this when making new demands. Reducing hours while maintaining wages was one way of making unemployment. (Cheers and cries of dissent.)

FRENCH CLAIMS.

PARIS, February 8th.

A Havas message states:—The most important point involved refers to the French territorial claims to the Rhine which they consider the most excellent frontier for Alsace, on the east.

A considerable current of opinion in diplomatic and parliamentary circles is that the frontier of 1814 should be demanded, including the Sarre Valley and coalfield. Apart from historical rights, these are, economically, necessary for France.

The return of Alsace-Lorraine to France, without the re-establishment of the 1814 frontier, would mean an intolerable addition to French restrictions.

LONDON, February 11th. A communiqué from Paris, dated February 11th, states:—The representatives of the great Powers heard the statement of Belgium's claims.

The League of Nations' Commission after discussion referred to the drafting Committee a number of suggested amendments to the draft.

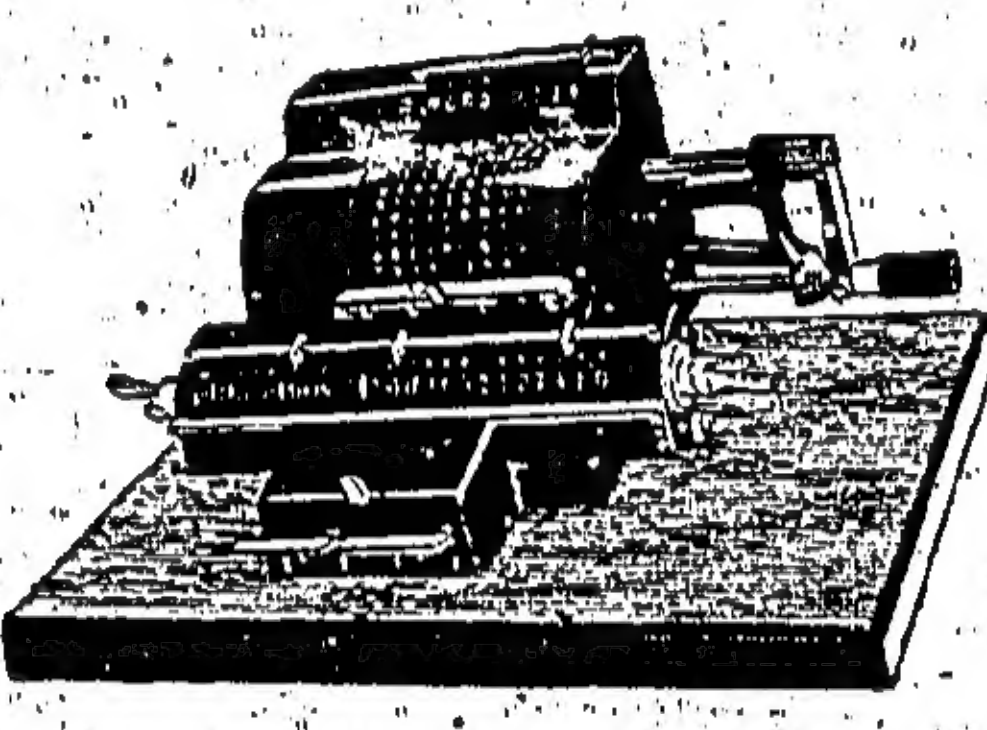
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effected.No claim will be recognised after the
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All claims and damaged cargo will be
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Hongkong, Feb. 8, 1919.

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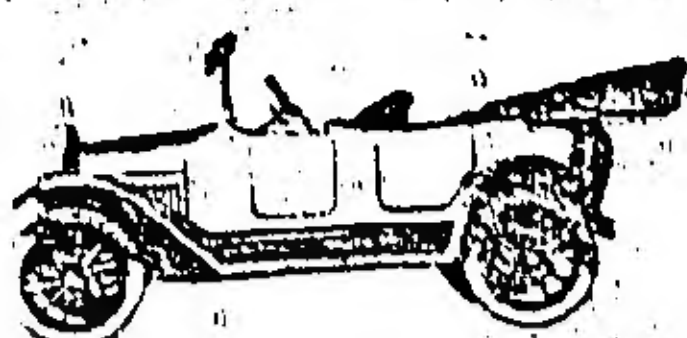
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fied that after his wife left him at
the hotel he opened a letter address-
ed to her. "Did you know you
committed a penal offence?" asked
Judge Gerrill. "You have no
more right to open her letters than
you have to read mine."**NA-POO.**After twelve months' captivity a
returned repatriated prisoner saw a
party of German prisoners working
in a field in his native village of
Hayes, Middlesex. Across the hedge
the following dialogue took place:—
Tommy: Deutschland na-po-
now, Fritz, eh?
Fritz: Na-poo.
Tommy: You want to go back there,
na-poo, eh?
Fritz: Na-poo.
Tommy (in plain English): No,
you blighter, you get plenty of food
here; you wouldn't get there, and
you know it, too!**LLOYD GEORGE AND LABOUR.**In one of his election speeches
Mr. Lloyd George said: Let us first
of all take the Labour Party. There
are three parties in the election.
There is first of all the Labour Party.
I object to the name. (Hear, hear.)
What does Labour mean? Labour
means every man and woman who
by their work, brains, nerve, muscle
contribute to the wealth and pro-
sperity of the country. If the
Labour Party represents the major-
ity of those, then, no doubt at all,
they would get in to-morrow by five
or 10 or 20 to one. They don't.
(Hear, hear.) They represent a sec-
tion of Labour, merely a section of
Labour. I have no hesitation in
predicting to-morrow, whatever the
result of the election may be, that
the candidates who stand for the
present Government will have more
working-class votes than those who
claim to represent Labour. (Cheers.)
I could not get in for my constitu-
ency unless the majority of work-
men voted for me, and yet, if there
were a Labour candidate against me,
he would say, "I represent Labour,"
although the majority of Labour had
voted for me. I protest against that
sort of thing. That is one thing I
want to say about it. I object to
the division of Labour. I object to
saying men who work at certain tasks
are Labour, and men who work at
other tasks are not Labour. If you
like to divide the people of this
country into people who work and
people who don't, that is another
matter. (Laughter.)**ARNOLD BENNETT'S THEATRE.**Arnold Bennett, after making a
"stage" tour of private company,
which Nigel Payfair, a British
actor, is managing director and pro-
ducer of plays, he has acquired the
Lyric Opera House in Hammer-
smith, a suburb of London.
The theatre will open with a child-
ren's revue and pantomime, the book
by A. A. Milne of "Punch," with
lyrics by C. B. Burton ("Tough-
stone" of the "Daily Mail").
Later will follow a revival of "As
You Like It" and a new comedy
by Mr. Bennett will also be pro-
duced.**PHILIPPINE NATIONAL BANK IN
RUSSIA.**The Philippine National Bank
has sent a representative to Russia
with a view to looking over possi-
bilities of establishing a branch at
Vladivostok. The bank has con-
sidered a Russian branch for some
time, but in order to provide ample
banking facilities for the American
troops dispatched to Russia, this is
considered an opportune time to
open a Vladivostok office. If con-
ditions seem favourable the Russian
office will probably become a per-
manent branch.**DEAN INGE'S GENTLEMAN.**To be an English gentleman had for
centuries been the weekly religion
of a great part of our nation," said
Dean Inge at a meeting of the
Parents' Educational Association.
The only unpardonable sin in Eng-
land was to be a cad, that was,
to fall short of the standard of honour
to which all gentlemen had to con-
form. The idea was so sacred to
us that we did not like to talk about
it or appeal to it. As for the essen-
tials of a gentleman, the whole cult
of old families was rather absurd.
Only a very few of our noble fami-
lies had shown unusual ability for
more than two generations. Fine
manners were certainly an ingredi-
ent. In occupation they found a
nest of dying prejudices, though
there was no reason why a gentle-
man should not be a working farmer
or any other sort of working man.
Bernard Shaw had said: "A gentle-
man is a man who tries not to take
out of life more than he puts in."
That was a revolutionary definition,
but strictly true to what at heart
we all felt to be the character of a
gentleman, and it was a saying which
could not be rubbed in too vigorously
in training the young gentleman.
According to the English school of
thought, the usual qualities of a
gentleman were truthfulness, cour-
age, justice, and fair-play, the ab-
horrence of meanness and crooked
dealing, and respect for the person-
ality of human beings as such.**ROSA LUXEMBURG.**Notwithstanding the violence
recent events in Germany, there can
be no doubt of her sincerity or of her
devotion to the cause of the people.
It is the irony of fate that a woman
who has devoted herself to the ser-
vice of the people should have lived
throughout the era of autocracy only
to fall a victim to popular fury when
the autocracy had been overthrown.
For some years before the war she
devoted her energies to exposing the
cruel treatment of conscripts in the
German army and when the war
broke out a suit was pending against
her which would have involved the
examination of charges in several
thousand cases. The war put a stop
to this branch of her activity, but
she never ceased in denouncing the
war and those who were responsible
for it, while much of her denuncia-
tion was directed against the Major-
ity Socialists who had been false to
their principles and voted the credits.**PLOTS FOR DESTROYING SHIPS.**Damage done by the explosion of
bombs, which had been placed in a
ship's cargo by a German in South
America, led to a dispute about the
scope of a marine insurance policy
before Mr. Justice Bailhache, last
month. The defence of the action
was that the policy contained the
usual l.c. and s. clause, warranting
free from all consequences of hostil-
ities, or of warlike operations. In
reply to that, the plaintiffs said that
the warranty protected underwriters
only where there had been action by
a belligerent Government, not where
the disaster was attributable to an
individual, who, because of his "Ger-
man education" or Prussian patriot-
ism had acted on his own initiative.
His Lordship held that the action
failed. In the course of his judg-
ment he read a circular which pur-
ported to be issued to German at-
taches by a Secret Service Division
of the German Naval Staff in 1914.
The circular ordered the immediate
"mobilization" of "destructive
agents" in ports where munitions
were being loaded for shipment to
the Allies. Those agents were to be
chosen from "anarchists and escaped
criminals," who were to arrange, in
addition to explosions, "delays, em-
broideries, and confusions" during
the loading of vessels. (Atlantic
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TUESDAY,
February 18, 1919, at 10.30 a.m., at the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.'s Premises, Kowloon.

A large quantity Flat, round, and square Iron Bars.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Feb. 13, 1919.

(For Account of the Concerned), on

SATURDAY,
February 15, 1919, at 10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

Several lengths Blue Serge GOOD QUALITY to be sold without reserve.

Also
A consignment of gent's straw hats, etc.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Feb. 11, 1919.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED) on

WEDNESDAY,
February 19, 1919, at 11 a.m., at Kwong Tung Cheong's shipyard, "Te-Kwa-Wan."

One complete set Engines and Boiler in good working order.

DESCRIPTION:
Set of Compound Engines, 16 x 33, by 24 stroke.
Boiler, 12 1/2' dia., working pressure 120 lbs. on vertical survey.
To be sold in one lot, together with Engine Seat, Shafts and Propeller and all piping, etc., connected with the above mentioned Engines and Boiler.

Also
Anchors and Chains, Wooden Masts, and
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On view at Kwong Tung Cheong's shipyard.
Launch to convey intending purchasers will leave Blake Pier at 10.30 a.m. on date of sale.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
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Hongkong, Feb. 11, 1919.

(For Account of the Concerned), on

TUESDAY,
February 18, 1919, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

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Hongkong, Feb. 12, 1919.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

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TUESDAY,
February 18, 1919, at 10.30 a.m., at the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.'s Premises, Kowloon.

A large quantity Flat, round, and square Iron Bars.

Terms:—Cash.

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Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Feb. 13, 1919.

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I.—In Victoria with two Bearers.

Quarter hour	10 cents
Half hour	20 "
One hour	35 "
Three hours	90 "
Six hours	1.50 "
Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.)	3.00 "

If the trip is extended beyond Victoria, half fare extra.

Between the hours of 8.30 p.m. and 6 a.m. the above fares shall be increased by 50 per centum.

II.—Beyond Victoria, with four Bearers.

Hour	0.50 cents
Three hours	1.50 "
Six hours	2.50 "
Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.)	5.00 "

III.—In the Hill District, with 2 Bearers, with 4 Bearers.

Quarter hour	\$0.15	\$0.30
Half hour	0.30	0.60
One hour	0.50	1.00
Three hours	1.50	3.00
Six hours	2.50	5.00
Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.)	5.00	10.00

RICKSHAS.

I.—In the Island of Hongkong, 40 paces in Victoria.

Ten minutes	5 cents
Half hour	10 "
One hour	15 "
Every subsequent hour	20 "

Note.—If the ricksha be engaged within the City of Victoria, and be discharged outside the Western part of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., or be discharged to the East of Bay View Police Station on the Eastern side of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half fare shall be chargeable.

II.—In Kowloon.

Quarter hour	5 cents
Half hour	10 "
Hour	15 "
Every subsequent hour	20 "

III.—Trips Road.

Twenty cents shall be added for each extra hour or part of an hour if the ricksha be engaged for a journey to take longer than 1 hour.

To 4th mile—single	75 cents	1 hour
return	\$1.00	2 hours
Beyond 4th to 6th mile—single	\$1.20	2 hours
return	\$1.60	4 "
Beyond 6th to 8th mile—single	\$1.75	2 1/2 "
return	\$2.25	5 "
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, February 15, 1919, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31, 1918.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 8th February to 15th February (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, January 29, 1919.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 22nd day of February, 1919, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31, 1918.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, February 10, to SATURDAY, February 22, 1919, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, February 4, 1919.

NOTICE.

THE Pass Office will be removed from the Central Police Station to the top floor POST OFFICE BUILDING, on the 15th inst. From that onwards Permits to leave the Colony will be issued from there and not at the Central Police Station.

ALL PERSONS with the exception of those of Chinese race desiring to leave the Colony should apply in person between the hours of 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

Applicants will be required to produce Passports or identification papers. All persons with certain exceptions, who 7 days are required for more than 28 days under the REGISTRATION OF PERSONS ORDINANCE 1918. Forms of Registration giving the particulars required may be obtained at the G.P.O. and at all Police Stations.

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BIBBY LINERS.

A Melbourne message to a Ceylon paper dated December 14 states:—
An important announcement was made to-day by the Shipping Control Board which is to the effect that no less than 84 steamers are due in Australian waters between January and April. Many of these are to load goods purchased in the Commonwealth by the Imperial Government, which have accumulated at the various ports on account of the shortage of shipping. Included in the list are some of the finest liners and freighters afloat. Some of the vessels have visited Melbourne before, but others, notably Bibby, City, P. and O., and Union Castle liners, will make their maiden voyage to Australia. In addition to having unprecedented passenger accommodation for the travelling public, the fleet comprises vessels capable of handling all kinds of freight at present awaiting shipment, such as refrigerated lines, wheat and wool. From the list I extract the following vessels from the Bibby, P. and O. City and other lines, well known in Colombo, and also give the three "crack" craft of the Union Castle boats on the list:—
Bibby Liners.—Leicestershire (8,059 tons), Lancashire (9,445 tons), Oxfordshire (8,624 tons), Derbyshire (6,776 tons).
P. and O. Liners.—Somali (5,712 tons), Karmala (8,983 tons), Palma (7,532 tons), Burma (7,470 tons), Delta (8,089 tons), Plassy (7,846 tons), Berima (11,137 tons).
City Liners.—City of Newcastle (7,280 tons), City of York (7,834 tons), City of Cairo (7,892 tons), City of Exeter (9,313 tons).
Union-Castle Liners.—Balmoral Castle (13,361 tons), Kenilworth Castle (9,775 tons), Dunvegan Castle (6,124 tons), Saxton (12,385 tons), Middelham Castle (4,534 tons).
Port Liners.—Port Hacking (6,225 tons), Port Melbourne (9,162 tons), Port Dennison (10,000 tons), Port Augusta (4,063 tons), Port Lincoln (7,248 tons).
B.I. Liners.—Thongwa (6,298 tons), Australia (7,526 tons), Carpentaria (7,755 tons), Takada (6,949 tons), Margha (8,300 tons), Morovota (11,243 tons), Ruapehu (8,881 tons).
New Zealand Shipping Co.'s Liners.—Remuera (11,276 tons), Paparoa (7,897 tons), Rimutaka (8,893 tons).
Federal Steam Navigation Liners.—Shropshire (13,184 tons), Argyshire (12,097 tons), Somerset (7,000 tons), Northumberland (12,160 tons).
Union S.S. Co. of New Zealand Liners.—Manganui (7,527 tons), Tahiti (7,585 tons), Rangara (10,040 tons), Tainui (9,965 tons), Willochra (7,784 tons).

The vessels set out above, as offered, the Government list, will all proceed to Europe via Colombo, so one may confidently look for an early return to the good days, when, as a port, Colombo had few rivals from the standpoint of shipping activity. Further, there is this guaranteed assurance, that the serious inconvenience the community has suffered during the past four years, by the dislocation, of course, due to the war, of the regular mail, passenger and cargo services between Australia, and Ceylon and India, is now a thing of the past.

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, Feb. 14, 1919.

FLOUR AND OIL.

The recent intimation that the U.S. has lifted the embargo on wheat and flour exportation, together with their decision to institute a \$12 a ton freight rate on shipping Board vessels for general cargo from San Francisco to Hongkong, is a very encouraging indication that flour prices in Hongkong will decrease appreciably within a short time.

Although Australia, Japan and Shanghai flour is now cheaper here than American flour, the inevitable result of the lowering of the trans-Pacific freight rates, effective March 1, will undoubtedly provide us with the American product by next September at lower prices than the Australian, Japan or Shanghai flour can be profitably sold at. Notwithstanding that the general world price is now \$1.15 per bushel for wheat, and that the American farmer has been assured \$2.20 a bushel for his grain by the American Government for the 1919 crop, the difference of approximately \$1.05 to the bushel will be stood by the U.S. Government, to the benefit of both the farmer and the consumer, regardless of nationality.

In connection with the increasing relief which we are getting from the constant release by the various governments of the vessels which were impressed for war service, prospects for a sufficient and reasonably priced supply of oil products within the near future is certain. The large oil companies, possessing their own steamers, are gradually regaining them from government requisition, and this, coupled with the decline in the demand for their product, will undoubtedly bring their market prices down to something near pre-war rates.

On the whole, all kinds of commodities are gradually resuming their normal state, both as to supply and price, much sooner than was

have on the general market is very encouraging indeed. Importers and exporters are very sanguine in their attitude, and predict prosperous times to come.

WHISKERS.

Although it is rude to make remarks regarding personal matters, calling attention to face, clothes, and such, lots of men in Hongkong do it. Some familiarity among intimate friends is tolerated, though even here the breach of good manners is not the less. For a mere acquaintance to do so is very bad manners, indeed, and shows a lack of social "savvy" that is deplorable. However, to be touchy and "thin skinned" is as bad as to be rude, and a certain bearded person in Hongkong wants to know just how he ought to treat these impertinent fellows who want to know why he doesn't shave. He tried telling them that he was fond of birds, and was providing nesting materials; but they didn't seem to believe him. He should remind them that the King is bearded, and that he is trying to be like him. If that fails, he should tell them the fable of the fox who lost his tail. After all, they are in the same case as the fox. They have been trapped by convention. It cannot be that they suppose a shaven chin makes them look younger. Those pouches under the eyes, that hardening at the corners of the mouth, gives them away, and prevents their camouflage from succeeding. Facial epiphytes are natural, while the appearance produced by the razor is artificial and temporary. The transition stage, that in which the fellow rasps an exploring finger over the mutilated area and wonders if he needs a shave, is distressing. Most of their chins were not designed for nakedness, anyway. Pugnacious chins, weak chins, cleft chins, receding chins, wedge-shaped chins—what an affront upon the comeliness of nature they all are, denuded of the merciful disguise with which nature tries to lessen the horror. Better by far an untrimmed bunch of face-moss than such simply exposures. Let our bearded friend, take courage, and wave his whiskers boldly like a man. As for those trimmers who shave the chin but leave a thing like a cock-roach on the upper lip, let them hide their faces. They have no excuse.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar is 3s. 1.15-16d.

Canton is taking steps to repatriate about 20 Germans this month.

To-day's return of communicable disease shows one Chinese case of scarlet fever.

The first thing we do, let's kill all the lawyers.—Shakespeare, "Henry VI." 2nd Part. Act iv. Sc. 2.

H. E. Vice-Admiral Sir F. C. T. Tudor is at present at the Hongkong Hotel. Lady Tudor will shortly follow from the South.

Four cases of evasion of the stamp duty came under notice of Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning. In each instance the offender was fined \$10.

C. Y. Chen, President of the Canton Educational Association, leaves Hongkong by the Empress of Russia to attend the Shanghai Peace Conference.

The "Empress of Russia," arriving to-morrow morning from London, has no mail aboard for Hongkong, according to an announcement by the Canadian Pacific office this morning.

Chinese merchants at San Francisco have cabled begging the Chinese authorities firmly to resist Japanese demands. The authorities have cabled Delegate Wang at Paris to carry on.

Dr. S. C. Bok, Chief of Justice of the Military Government, and Mr. Liang Chik-wen, Adviser to the Chief of the Sand-fields Protection troops, left for Hongkong recently to interest the merchants there and secure their help to alleviate the serious rice situation in Canton.

Under the auspices of the Hongkong University Medical Society a concert and play are to be given to-morrow evening at 8.30 in the Great Hall of the University. This function is to celebrate the completion of the New Medical Schools of the University. Invitations have been issued and all members of the University Union are invited.

Mr. F. W. Goldring appealed to-day against the sentence of nine months imprisonment passed on Anna d'Almeida, a Portuguese lady over 50 years of age, who had returned from banishment after being warned. He explained that she had consulted him about certain monies to which she was entitled, some of which he (Mr. Goldring) thought might be in government hands. The sentence seemed excessive. The sentence was reduced to six months.

\$15,200 OPIUM FINE.

Two Chinese from Singapore were arrested at the Kowloon Railway Station as they were about to entrain for Shanghai, and 195 taels of prepared opium valued at \$2,340 and 25 taels of opium dross, worth \$45, were found secreted in their baggage.

It appears that one of the men, who was a trader in Medan, for a number of years, brought the stuff with him to Singapore where he was joined by the second man. They succeeded in passing the Customs at that port and also at Hongkong, and would have been bringing the drug to Hop Ling, but for the vigilance of the Kowloon Customs officials. One of the men claimed the drug, but as the key was in the possession of his companion, both were put under arrest.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning when the men were tried, Mr. Leo d'Almeida, appearing for the defence, pleaded guilty on behalf of the trader. With regard to the other man, he said he had no part in the affair. His companion was suffering from beriberi, and he gave the key into his charge.

The trader was fined \$15,200 with the option of 13 months hard labour, the other man being discharged.

JAPAN WANTS RICE.

It is reported in Peking that an agreement was signed on Jan. 31 between Japanese representatives on the one side and the Chinese Government on the other for the export of several million piculs of rice from the Yangtze Delta.

It is not known whether the opposition of the Kiangsu merchants to this step has been overcome, but as many of them are losing money on rice which is awaiting transportation at Pukow, where there are said to be over a million piculs which have begun to rot, it is probable that rather than see their rice rotting at Pukow, where on one pretext or another it is being detained because its owners will not consent to sell rice to Japan, they will give way.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail")

CHINA AND JAPAN.

Dear Sir—The open letter of "Asiatic Democrat," published in your issue of the 11th instant, affords interesting reading to the Chinese for whose perusal it is particularly intended.

He likens China to "a young and extremely comely damsel without protection and without a strong will." Does "Asiatic Democrat" mean to suggest that we should put ourselves under the protection of Japan who will then be able to champion our cause? Should this be what he means, then, I think such a policy impracticable as our Asiatic friend may verify for himself if he were to look over the Twenty-one Demands which Japan, conscious of our weakness, launched against us.

The firm stand of Mr. C. T. Wang and Dr. Wellington Koo at the Peace Conference, is, I think, a good example to show "Asiatic Democrat" that his "high" opinion of China's will-power is erroneous. That we have a will of our own is evident by the cry that is raised throughout the whole country against the recalling of our delegates. We are only asking for justice, and if Japan has always dealt justly with China there is no reason why her engagements with us during the period when Europe was at turmoil should not be made public. Japan's threat to bring military measures to bear on China, if the delegates be not recalled, cannot serve her any good; but on the contrary, it will do her a lot of harm for when it is revealed, it cannot but lower the prestige of Japan.

Undoubtedly "Asiatic Democrat" is very wise to tell us that it is time for us to wake up to the true situation of our country. His advice, however, comes somewhat late in the day as we are now aware of our position and the doing of our so-called "friends." Hence we are taking steps to prevent the recurrence of such friendly actions as have been shown us during the last three years.

It appears queer that "Asiatic Democrat," who, by the way, is a Japanese, should say that he is not over-friendly with any nation that is interested in China, for, if I mistake not, Japan is especially interested in our affairs, as can be seen by the numerous dyes which she undertakes voluntarily in policing our territory.

Whatever might have been the foreign policies of European nations before 1915 is no business of ours to go into at this juncture. Even if they have been impracticable, as "Asiatic Democrat" stated they have been, I do not see any reason in the flimsy arguments that may in any way justify the aggression of Japan on China not only up to 1915 but also from 1915.

Thanking you for this encroachment on your valuable columns—Yours, etc.,

Pao PATRICK.

FOOTBALL.

SATURDAY'S PROGRAMME.

First and foremost in football to-morrow, is the Shield semi-final between the Royal Engineers and South China Athletic.

This match will draw a tremendous crowd to the Club ground, and the Chinese ought to have a very good chance of entering the final for the first time in the history of the Shield.

The Royal Engineers have lost a sterling halfback in Charters, who has returned to England, and if his place is not adequately filled, it will be hard work for the backs to keep the Chinese out.

The Chinese expect to field full strength, in which case their chance is bright but their light forwards will have difficulty in getting the better of Lawrence and Blumfield, the two R.E. backs.

The winners of this game meet the winners of the H.K.F.C. Navy match on the following Saturday, in the final.

There are three matches on the fixture card, St. Joseph's College and Staff and Departments is postponed, and South China Reserves against the Navy Reserves, and 83rd Co. B.G.A. versus Kowloon, complete the card.

Matches, referees, &c. HONGKONG SHIELD. Royal Engineers v. South China Athletic. Semi-final. On the Club ground at 4 p.m. Referee, Mr. Tucker.

H.K. LEAGUE, 2ND DIVISION. South China Athletic Res. v. Royal Navy Res. On the Military ground at 2.30 p.m. Referee, Mr. Stevenson.

83rd Co. B.G.A. v. Kowloon. On the Club ground at 2.30 p.m. Referee, Mr. Banks.

ALLEGED LARCENY.

EX-POLICE RESERVISTS AGAIN CHARGED.

Henrique d'Aquino, José Portaria and Chau Kiu, who had been sometime back convicted of obtaining money by threats and menaces from a Chinese woman, the principal tenant of No. 8, Sai Street, were again before Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday afternoon on a charge of stealing a purse containing \$2.70 from the same house.

The complainant gave evidence to the effect that she went to the house and borrowed \$3 from the principal tenant, which she put in her purse along with 70 cents. She left the house but inadvertently left the purse behind her which she put on a table in the rear sitting room where five men, among whom were the accused, were smoking opium. Her evidence was corroborated by the principal tenant.

Lee Wing, one of the opium-smoking party, deposed that on that day he was with the accused. When the first pot of opium had been consumed, d'Aquino left the bed and went to a table. He returned with a purse which he handed to Portaria who put it inside his right sock. Sometime later they left, and Portaria took out the purse, extracted the contents and threw the purse on to the roof of a house. The party then repaired to a Chinese restaurant where they ordered a feast and paid for it with the stolen money. Case adjourned.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE MR. W. TULIP.

A large crowd was present yesterday afternoon at the funeral of the late Mr. Wilfred Tulip, of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., there being present Messrs. R. M. Dyer, C. G. Alabaster, H. Percy Smith, W. J. Tutcher, J. W. Graham, G. H. Baker, Major D. Macdonald, Capt. G. E. Stewart, Capt. G. G. Wood, Lieut. A. E. Wright, W. Higby, L. Blackburn and Souter. The Hongkong University School was represented by Professors Middleton Smith, A. G. Warren, W. J. Hinton and Mr. G. E. Marley.

The funeral was with military honours, the cortege passing the Monument at 5 p.m. in the following order: The band which played the Funeral March; the gun-carriage which was the coffin. The coffin was covered with the Union Jack, and on it were placed the helmet and bayonet of the deceased. The general public came next and there were present a large number of employees of the Dock Co.

The coffin was taken off the gun-carriage at the Cemetery gates and carried to the grave by six of the deceased's comrades. The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, at the conclusion of which three volleys were fired and the "Last Post" was sounded.

The floral symbols of respect were many and beautiful and included wreaths from: The Chairman and Directors of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.; the European staff, the Portuguese staff, the Chinese Drawing Office staff, the Chinese staff of the general office, and the Drawing Office apprentices of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.; Major Morgan and Officers of the H.K.D.C.; No. 8 Machine Gun Section, H.K.D.C.; W.O.s. Staff Sergeants and Sergeants, H.K.D.C.; Rb. Wor. D.G.M. and Officers of D.G. Lodge of Hongkong and South China; W.M. Officers and Brethren of Zealand Lodge No. 525 E.O.; W.M. and Brethren of Mark Lodge 204 E.O.; W.M. Officers and Brethren of United Services Lodge No. 1841 E.O.; Officers of Victoria Chapter, 525 E.O.; Staff of Hongkong University, 4th year Engineering Students of the University; 2nd year Students of the University; Kowloon Cricket Club; Kowloon Bowling Club; and Committees and Members of the Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

A lighted beacon has been established to mark a point where vessels make or leave the steep coast of Pitman-King Island (Luhshain), Yangtze River, when navigating the channel running between the southern end of Kiu-shan Bank and the shore of the northern point of Pitman-King Island. The beacon, which is a low white pyramidal structure surmounted by a pole with a spherical daymark, exhibits two white unclassified lights hoisted vertically. It is situated on the northern shore of Pitman-King Island, 2.66 miles N. 83deg. W. from Pitman-King Island Surveying-beacon, and is to be known as the Kiu-shan Bank beacon. A line drawn from this beacon to the Cooper Bank light (N. 63deg. W.) cuts through the centre of the fairway. All bearings given are magnetic.

BILLIARDS.

HONGKONG CHAMPIONSHIP.

The first Japanese to compete for the billiard championship of Hongkong has started well. Last night Mr. K. Higashide beat C. S. M. Pragnell R.G.A. at the V.R.C. by 68 points. The know-it-alls were inclined to smile at the "China Mail's" early expressed opinion that this competitor would bear watching, but the style of his play last night impressed the lookers-on. Playing very pretty billiards, he made breaks of 35, 30, 28, 29, 26 (twice) 24 and so on, very consistently. Mr. Pragnell compiled one 26. Scores: Higashide . . . 400 Pragnell . . . 332

There is no game to-night, the contestants having mutually agreed to a postponement until to-morrow night.

THE GARRISON TOURNAMENT.

MANCHESTERS v. 88th CO. R.G.A.

This match was concluded at the Soldiers' Club last night, the Manchesters winning easily by points, and thus passing into the final. The top break of the tournament so far was scored last night, Barker making a 46, and beating Captain Goode by 77 points. The tit-bit of the match was the game between Sergeants Goodman and Drummond. Drummond made the best breaks but Goodman was a little more consistent and won by the narrow margin of 15 points. Neither player was in top form. The best breaks last night were: Barker, 46, 23, Drummond, 25, 24, Goodman, 23, Goode, 23. The final scores follow:—

MANCHESTERS.	
Lt. Col. Harvey	200
C. S. M. Keenan	200
Sgt. Hall	200
Sgt. Bird	200
Sgt. Allison	137
Drummer Hooper	200
Sgt. Goodman	200
Capt. Goode	123
Total	1460

88th CO. R.G.A.

Gunn. Curtis	130
Sgt. Haskings	141
Sgt. Davis	184
Gr. Donnelly	134
Gr. Donaldson	200
Gr. Niven	161
Sgt. Drummond	134
C. Q. M. S. Barker	200
Total	1334

83rd CO. R.G.A. v. STAFF AND DEPTS.

This semi-final commenced at the conclusion of the above match, only one game being played, the gunner winning easily.

83rd CO. R.G.A.

STAFF & DEPTS.

To-night the semi-final, Staff and Departments and 83rd Co. R.G.A. will be continued.

FOOTBALL MEETINGS.

At Victoria Barracks last night there was a meeting of the Hongkong Football League. Mr. R. J. Wilton, president, Master Gunner G. T. May, acting for the Hon. Secretary, (Mr. F. W. Wright). The business was more or less formal. The Navy players reinstated to the 2nd Division, the acceptance of the resignation of the University from the league table, and the consequent erasure of all their matches from the league table, and re-arrangement of postponed fixtures, this to be mutually arranged between the Clubs concerned.

HONGKONG F. A.

The Hongkong Football Association meeting followed. There was the Referee Board report making recommendations to be adopted. This censured H. McTavish (H.K.F.C.), Corpl. Pascall (R.E.), and Leung Yuk Tong (South China Athletic), and was approved. The Hon. Secretary will write to the Capt. Supt. of Police for authority to have Indian Police on the grounds at all matches. Lieut. A. E. Hall, R.G.A., resigned his position as a Vice-President owing to his leaving the Colony shortly. It was resolved to ask the Rev. Bundle, Chaplain to the Forces, to accept the vacant post.

THE LINFIELD FUND.

Mr. G. Gerrard, Hon. Sec. Hongkong Shield Competition, reported that as a result of benefit matches a sum of \$385.00 had been handed over to the Treasurer of the Fund.

THE PICTURES.

There was extreme difficulty in getting seats at the Coronet Theatre last night when a splendid film programme was shown. The principal picture was a 5-part film "Hell's Hinges" with William S. Hart in the leading part. This was an intensely interesting picture, and to add to the enjoyment there was a Chaplin film, "Charlie at the Show", extremely funny, and another real comic, "Fatty's Chance Acquaintance" one of the Keystone films. With the British Gazette and the splendid orchestra, it was a night well spent, and the whole audience, a large one at each performance, thoroughly enjoyed itself.

THE CHARGE OF THE "MIGHT" BRIGADE.

(With Apologies to Tennyson.)

Half a league, half a league,
Half a league onward,
Out from the Kiel canal
Sailed the great Hun herd,
Forward to Britain's coast,
Now years had been their tows,
Now was their time at last!
Now out from Kiel came
Of Bill's naval Hun herd.

Sheepishly, silently,
All undauntedly,
Twenty miles long they lay,
German-made toys were they,
Nearly one hundred,
Do not make fun of them;
Every damned Hun of them
Knew that each gun of them
Lasty forever gained
Britain had thundered.

Forward the German fleet,
Out from its long retreat,
Steaming twelve knots to meet
Britain's four hundred,
Their not to fire a gun,
Theirs to sail, one by one,
Out from the rising sun,
While Britons enjoyed the fun
Watching this Hun herd.

Ships to the right of them,
Ships to the left of them,
Proud Cardiff leading them,
Aeroplanes over them,
Submarines under them,
While gaping Huns wondered,
Makers of babies' graves
Under the ocean's waves,
Fools not to realize
Britons shall ne'er be slaves,
Nor Beauty's four hundred.

Thus did they greet "The Day,"
Groveling enemy,
Did it to get the pay
Promised,—one hundred,
Sulkily on they came,
Hunish in deed and name,
Oh! but their end was lame,
Conquered, but still the same,
Brutalised Hun herd.

Yanks to the right of them,
French to the left of them,
British encircling them,
Contemptuous, wondered,
Never a shot nor shell,
Poison gas barred as well,
British tore anxiously
Waiting to give them hell
If any Hun blundered.

Oh, what a show they made,
In German canal brigade,
Where, from long years, they lay,
Trembling and sore afraid
Of Britain's four hundred.
Ended their boast and brag,
Down came their tarnished flag,
Stained with the blood of babes,
Naught but a shameful tag
Gone was the Hun herd!

B. H. E. E.

KIPLING'S PLEA FOR BROTHERHOOD.

Mr. Rudyard Kipling comes out as a propagandist on behalf of Freemasonry in his new short story, "The Interests of the Brethren," which appears in the Christmas number of the "Storyteller." As a story, it will probably rank high among Mr. Kipling's least successful efforts, but as a plea for the development of the Masonic ideal it will doubtless have a wide appeal.

The gist of the argument lies in the following conversation between "Brother" at a Lodge of Instruction. "When I think of the possibilities of the Craft at this juncture I wonder—" He stared into the fire.

"I wonder, too," said the Sergeant-Major slowly, "but—on the whole—I'm inclined to agree with you. We could do much with Masonry."

"As an aid—as an aid—not as a substitute for Religion," the Clergyman snapped.

"Oh Lord! Can't we give Religion a rest for a bit?" the Doctor muttered. "It hasn't done so—I beg your pardon all round."

The Clergyman was bristling. "Karamad!" the wise Sergeant-Major went on, both hands up. "Certainly not as a substitute for a creed, but as an average plan of life. What I've seen at the front makes me sure of it."

Brother Burgess came out of his muse. "There ought to be a dozen—twenty—other Lodges in London every night; conferring degrees too, as well as instruction. Why shouldn't the young men join? They practice what we're always preaching. Well!—I must all do what we can. What's the use of old Masons if they can't give a little help along their own lines?"

"Think what could have been done by Masonry through Masonry for all the world. I hope I'm not censorious, but it sometimes crosses my mind that the Grand Lodge may have thrown away its chance in the war almost as much as the Church has."

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CHINGWANGTAO HARBOUR

FROZEN OVER.

The Harbour at Chingwangtao is frozen. Owing to the south-easterly wind prevailing the harbour became exposed to the severe temperature and for the first time in many years froze over. This event is very unusual in the history of Tientsin's winter port, and in the memory of many old residents Chingwangtao has been ice bound very rarely. Two ice breakers have been despatched from Taku in order to make an effort to open the harbour. Although not so cold in extremes, this winter is remarkable for a continuous low temperature, somewhere about 16 to 20 degrees F. for the past three or four weeks. That Chingwangtao harbour should freeze over and the ice at Tientsin become over a foot thick is evidence of the steady frost.

CHINESE ACQUIRE AMUR

SHIPPING.

Since the recent disturbances in Siberia, many Russians have sold steamships navigating the Amur, mostly to Japanese and Chinese. Up to the end of last year, six ships were purchased by Japanese and 40 by Chinese, and there still remain 11 ships which are now under negotiation. The majority of the shares of an Amur navigation company were held by the Siberian Commercial Bank, but a recent report says that part of the bank's holding was sold to Japanese. As the ships seized by the Japanese troops on the Amur are to be returned to the original owners shortly as soon as the investigations are over, some Chinese capitalists are said to be contemplating to organize a joint stock company to purchase those ships and engage in the Chinese-Russian trade.

NEW YORK-ORIENT SERVICE

PLANNED.

Early in the new year, according to reports in shipping circles, the U.S. Government will establish a steamship line between New York and the Orient. Four first class steamers of British and Japanese register are to be employed and weekly sailings will be the rule. As a reason for this sudden departure on the part of the Government it is said that thousands of tons of freight which formerly moved by way of the Pacific coast from as far west as Minneapolis, St. Louis, Chicago and Louisville, can be brought to New York and shipped to Japan and China at a less cost than to ship across the continent and then transship it over the Pacific.

The rates quoted from New York are \$90 per ton to Kobe, Hongkong, Shanghai, Manila and Cebu, \$65 to Singapore, and if a direct route, \$30 to Calcutta. Present ocean rates from Seattle as quoted by the Shipping Board are \$45 to Cebu ports, \$40 to Japan, \$30 to Manila, \$50 to Calcutta and Colombo, and \$45 to Singapore. The rates by Japanese liners are from \$50 to \$55 a ton. Taking into consideration the difference in the rail haul, it is seen that the new rates give New York a decided advantage over Seattle. Exporters throughout the country are very much dissatisfied with the service they have been receiving for some time by way of the Pacific Coast, owing to continued congestion, demurrage rules and high rates, together with lack of space and inability to secure shipping permits covering forwarding of goods after bookings have been made. Trans-Pacific lines will doubtless take cognizance of these conditions if they expect to compete with the Atlantic lines and hold the large movement of tonnage which they have been enjoying.

Shippers who have been sorely tried at the delay in clearing goods from Pacific ports will jump at the new Atlantic service and every effort should be made to relieve the congestion which has so greatly militated against Seattle and other Pacific ports, and remove the restrictions on imports so as to enable the steamer lines to secure return cargoes from Oriental ports.

Everything points to a keen rivalry for the Oriental trade, but whatever stride America makes will doubtless exceed its former efforts.



HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Administrative Orders by Major H. J. Morgan, Administrative Commandant.

STRENGTH.

The Commandant's records, with deep regret, the deaths of No. 700 Corporal W. Tully, Machine Gun Company, on 12th February, 1919, and No. 350 Pte. H. Macfarlane, "A" Company, on 7th February, 1919.

No. 601 Pte. A. H. Skelton, "B" Company, is permitted to resign on leaving the Colony from 27.2.19.
No. 898 Pte. G. Fowler, "A" Company, is permitted to resign on leaving the Colony from 17.2.19.
No. 877 Pte. C. B. "Buyers" and No. 896 Pte. L. C. Fairfull, "D" Company, are permitted to resign under Section 7 (2) of the Military Service Ordinance 1917, dated 22.2.19.

TRANSFERS.

No. 473 Corp. H. B. J. Dowling, "B" Company, and No. 843 Pte. A. T. Stubbs, "A" Company, are transferred to the Mounted Section, dated 11.2.19.

LEAVE.

Captain G. G. Wood, is granted eight months' leave from 20.4.19.
Captain C. Champkin, is granted 12 months' extension of leave from 28.2.19.

Lieut. H. B. H. Hancock, "A" Company, is granted six months' extension of leave from 6.12.18.
Capt. G. S. Archibald, "A" Company, is granted six months' leave, to date from day of departure.

Corp. D. Austin, Engineer Company, is granted seven months' leave from 1.5.19.
Lieut. P. H. Rolfe, Sig. Section, is granted 12 months' leave from 27.3.19.

Pte. W. L. Little, "B" Company, is granted two months' leave from 18.2.19.
Pte. L. C. Robinson, Sig. Section, is granted six months' leave from 19.2.19.

Pte. J. G. Garmway, "B" Company, is granted seven months' leave from 23.4.19.
Pte. G. A. Tisdall, "B" Company, is granted six months' extension of leave from 10.2.19.

Spr. M. M. Alus, Engineer Company, is granted eight months' leave from 10.3.19.
Spr. W. Weir, Engineer Company, is granted seven months' leave from 1.5.19.

(a) The attention of all concerned is drawn to Section 7 (2) of the Military Service Ordinance 1917, which is republished for information:—
"7 (2) Every member of the Hongkong Defence Corps who attains the age of fifty-five years while being a member of the said Corps shall upon attaining that age be discharged unless he elects to continue to be subject to military service."

After the honurable service they have rendered during the War the General Officer Commanding is of opinion they need have no hesitation now in availing themselves of the terms of the Act.

(b) All men who have passed their 40th birthday will be excused all parades until further notice. N.B.—Any man wishing to do musketry can do so voluntarily.

(c) All men who have passed their 41st birthday will be required to do musketry and the parades requisite for F.E.T. only.

Orders for Artillery Company by Major J. H. W. Armstrong, Y.D.

PARADES AT BELCHERS BATTERY.
Monday, 17th Feb.—5.15 p.m. Left Half Coy. Full drill.
Tuesday, 18th Feb.—7.30 a.m. Right Half Coy. All Layers.
Friday, 21st Feb.—7.30 a.m. Right Half Coy. Full drill. 5.15 p.m. Left Half Coy. All Layers.

Orders for Engineer Company, by Captain W. Russell.

(1) Members as detailed by C.S.M. will parade at Lyceum at 6 p.m. on the 10th inst. A launch will leave Black Pier at 5 p.m. and return after run is completed. Officer on duty on 10th inst., Captain W. Russell.

(2) N.C.O.s and men who have not settled their accounts for Company Dinner are requested to do so early.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan.

PARADES.
Sunday, 16th February.—The Infantry Battalion will parade as under at King's Park Range to fire as follows:—200 yards, (a) 5 rounds per man at 3 times per man in 45 seconds, (b) 15 rounds per man at a Silhouette Figure No. 3, in one minute, from command "Rapid Fire." Rifles to be loaded and 4 rounds in magazine. Fiers to stand in trench as in Practices 7 of the Annual Musketry Course.

The Platoon obtaining the highest percentage of hits will become holders of the Pollock Cup for one year. Dress drill order with pouches. Times of starting:—8.00 a.m. No. 6 Platoon, 8.30 a.m. "D" Company and Mounted Section, 9.00 a.m. No. 3 Platoon and Signalling, 10.00 a.m. No. 4 Platoon, 10.30 a.m.

WEEKLY SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. W. Logan and Co. report to-day:

Since the date of our last circular our market has continued fairly active and a good amount of business has been put through. The Shanghai market shows signs of firmness, especially in all cotton shares, and also Langkats.

Banks.—Hongkong Banks have advanced to a buying quotation of \$780.

Marine Insurances.—Cantons have been done at \$410, and are still wanted at that price. Unions, owing to the announcement by the Union Insurance Co., regarding the conversion of their Capital into sterling, the price of the shares have jumped to \$1025 from last week's quotation of \$960.

Fire Insurances.—China Fires are wanted at \$153½ and Hongkong Fires \$355.

Shipping.—Indo-Chinas, were done at \$160 and have buyers at \$157½. Shares have changed hands for March at \$162 and \$164 April.

Docks and Wharves.—Hongkong Docks are \$159 Cash and \$161 March. Wharves have buyers at \$11 Cash and sellers for March \$115.

Miscellaneous.—Cements have been done at \$9 Cash, \$9.30 April. Langkats are strong, with buyers at \$22. Shares are wanted for April at \$23½. Electrics have buyers at \$75½. Waterboats \$11.40. Hongkong Trams \$7.90. Watsons \$6. Dairy Farms \$27½ and China Providents \$8.

NORWAY WAR PROFITS.

Haugesund, on the Norwegian coast between Bergen and Stavanger, is reported the banner town for war profits in proportion to population. Forty-five men have cleaned up from \$250,000 to \$2,000,000 apiece since the war started. They sold ships, mostly to England. This information came from an American citizen who went to the town of Haugesund, and took possession of \$25,000, his quarter share of an estate left by his father. As he put it, "My father had \$10,000 when the war started. He made \$100,000 selling ships to the British."

No. 2 Platoon, 11.00 a.m. No. 5 Platoon, 11.30 a.m. No. 7 Platoon, 12.00 noon. No. 6 Platoon, 12.30 p.m. No. 1 Platoon.

ANNUAL MUSKETRY COURSE.
Tuesday, 18th February.—4.15 p.m. The following N.C.O. and men and others who have completed their F.E.T. (or are exempted from passing) and have not fired these practices, at King's Park Range: "Annual Musketry Course."

Part 1, Practices 1 and 2.—Lieut. Corp. F. J. Murray, Ptes. W. Schofield, F. H. Smith, J. Marshall, J. M. Murray, B. Young, P. T. Rozario, R. M. Silva, C. A. Carvalho, D. Ritchie, W. E. Hind, A. K. Mackenzie, Joseph W. Taylor and H. Sykes. Dress, Drill order with pouches.

Officer in Charge, Lieut. C. H. Blason. Two N.C.O.s from No. 2 Platoon (to be detailed by Platoon Commander) will attend to assist.

Friday, 21st February.—5.15 p.m. As for Tuesday, 18th inst. Officer in Charge, Lieut. Thomas. Two N.C.O.s from No. 8 Platoon (to be detailed by Platoon Commander) will attend to assist.

"D" COMPANY.
N.C.O.s and men over 46 years of age who wish to fire their Musketry Course are asked to send their names to the O.C. Company.

MOUNTED SECTION.
Monday, 17th February.—5.15 p.m. At Jockey Club Stables, Dress, drill order.

Orders for Cadet Company, by 2nd Lieut. J. E. W. Board.

Parades.—Reference Order dated 7th February, 1919. The Parade ordered for Saturday, 15th February at Headquarters is cancelled—the Competition for the Ralph's Cup at Kennedy Road at 3.30 p.m. will take place as stated.

Monday, 17th Feb. 5.15 p.m. Nos. 1 and 2 Sections at Headquarters.

Monday, 17th Feb. 5.15 p.m. Band Practice at Headquarters.

Wednesday, 19th Feb. 3 p.m. 16 Cadets as detailed fall in outside City Hall.

G. E. STEWART, Capt.

Adjutant, H. K. Defence Corps. February, 14th 1919.

NOTICE.
The dress for Officers attending the Engineers' Ball on 14th inst. is Mess Dress (for those in possession of it).

ANOTHER ARMED ROBBERY.

Four robbers, one armed with a revolver and the others with knives, entered the ground floor of 478, Reclamation Street, Yau-mai, yesterday. There were three men and a woman in the room, and they were bound up with strings by the desperadoes. They took a pair of bangles, worth \$32, from her wrists by the simple process of cutting them with their weapons. In doing so, they inflicted cuts on her arms, but these were only slight. They also stole a few dollars. In their hurried escape they left behind them two of their weapons.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

Orders issued by Mr. F. C. Jenks, O.S.E.

GOOD SERVICE MEDALS.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to award the Police Reserve Good Service Medal to the following:—

1.—Chief Inspector Mason, M. C. (on Active Service).
2.—Staff Inspector J. C. Wildin.
3.—Staff Inspector R. G. McEwen.
4.—Accountant A. Baleen.
5.—Staff Inspector B. W. Tape.
6.—Musketry Inspector Fisher.
7.—Inspector F. A. V. Ribeiro.
8.—Inspector D. H. New Nam.
9.—Cr. Sergt. 41 Pun Yun Fong.
10.—" 545 C. N. Castro.
11.—" 567 Faithfull.
12.—Sergt. 548 M. Baptista.
13.—Sergt. 4 George Lee.
14.—Bandman 503 D.C. Baptista.
15.—P.C. 637 J.G. Ozorio.
16.—" 534 M.C. Lorenciano.
17.—" 569 A.K. Silva.
18.—" 763 A. Hicks.
19.—" 707 E. J. Noronha.

General Order No. 8 of 1919 also states that His Excellency has been pleased to grant the Police Reserve Good Service Medal to P.C. 161 Leung Cheung Man who has been commended on three occasions since August 1918 for meritorious conduct.

INSPECTION.
His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government will inspect the Police Reserve Force at 3.45 p.m. to-morrow (Saturday, February 15) on the Murray Parade Ground. Blue uniform, helmets with spikes, belts and rifles. Fall in at H.K.D.C. Headquarters at 3.00 p.m. sharp. All General and Total Exempts to attend. No. 2 Company will parade at 2.40 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENTS AND INSPECTORS.
Will attend at H.K.D.C. Headquarters ground at 2.15 p.m.

PARADE REPORTS.
The sending of Weekly Parade Reports (Form No. 10) is discontinued until further orders.

THE NEW CABARET.

Next Monday, February 17, will mark the opening of the new cabaret of Wiseman, Ltd., with a dinner dance.

The enlarged room, which is now provided for dancing, is approximately 60 by 50 feet, a room which has been used as a storeroom by the Lane Crawford company having been absorbed. It is stated by the management that 100 persons may easily be accommodated now for dinner in the cabaret annex to the establishment.

A regular feature will be 2 dinner and 1 tea dances a week, the tea dance being dispensed with during racing week. Whether or not this arrangement will be continued during the summer months has not been decided as yet, it depending upon the wishes of the public.

For the rest of this month the regular full stringed-orchestra will provide dance music, a new all-Filipino quartette, consisting of piano, cello, violin and clarinet having been engaged for the period after March 1.

DEATH IN HARBOUR.

BODY RECOVERED AFTER 12 DAYS.

The body of a European which, as reported in yesterday's "China Mail" was found floating in the Harbour at West Point is believed to be that of Otto Van Sautt, Second Officer of the Robert Dollar boat "Sierra," whose unfortunate death by drowning as the result of a collision, took place on the 2nd instant. The remains have been removed to the mortuary.

LIQUIDATION OF DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

The "Canton Times" has been informed that Mr. H. Y. Loo, M. A. Oxon, Barrister-at-law, has been instructed by the Bureau of Liquidation of the Deutsch-Asiatische Bank in Shanghai, upon receipt of instructions from Peking, to file petition in the Local Court of Justice against a number of German debtors for over-drawing from the said Bank the sum of more than \$370,000 with interest.

TO-MORROW'S CRICKET.

LEADING TEAMS ENGAGED.

League cricket matches seem with interest on Saturday, the Civil Service engaging the League leaders, Craven, while the R.G.A. who occupy the League second position travel to Kowloon to engage the cricket team there.

It ought to be a tough encounter on the Civil Service ground. The keenness of a few on both sides is a little more noticeable than is usual in connection with cricket. Where Craven is likely to fail will be in batting. For that matter Civil Service have few good bats, if Wood fails to get set, only Bradbury of the remainder is likely to make many runs.

At Kowloon a capital game is expected. The home team may be considered fortunate that this fixture did not take place a few weeks ago when the R.G.A. had the services of Graham, now gone home, and Perkins, sick in hospital, both good bowlers and useful bats. K.C.C. hope to be at full strength.

On the University ground the Navy will appear as visitors, and unless the Navy are strengthened by the new arrivals, as they may be, the University ought to win. The latter have their best eleven to take the field.

The C.R.C. are advertised for two matches, against the Manchesters in a league match which they should win and versus H.K.C.C. in a friendly.

The H.K.C.C. are at home to the C.R.C. in a friendly, and are fielding a strong team.

LEAGUE MATCHES.
Civil Service v. Craven. On the Civil Service ground at 2.15 p.m. Kowloon C.C. v. R.G.A. On the K.C.C. ground at 2 p.m. University v. Royal Navy. On the University ground at 2.15 p.m. C.R.C. v. Manchesters. At Causeway Bay at 2.15 p.m.

FRIENDLY.
Hongkong C.C. v. Chinese R.C. On the H.K.C.C. ground at 2.15 p.m.

SELECTED TEAMS.
R.G.A.—J. J. Sutherland, Colman and Torr, Sergeants Athorne, Drummond and Telford; Corp. Mann, Lance-Bomb. Sharman, Gunnery Balnes, Sharp and Middleton.

University.—A. H. Ramjeeb (Captain), W. Gittins, S. K. Chow, R. A. Forsythe, K. S. Lam, G. E. Marley, M. P. Choo, D. K. Samy, F. A. Redmond, T. L. Cheah and J. D. Wright.

H.K.C.C.—T. B. Pearce (Captain), F. J. de Rome, D. E. Donnelly, F. W. S. Evans, Capt. E. H. Gray, P. Jacobs, E. Lammer, Capt. H. E. Murray, F. Sutton, R. P. Thurstfield and C. C. Zeverny.

Craven.—R. Basa (Captain), A. Arculli, F. G. Thompson, A. Grimmett, U. Omar, D. Rumjahn, M. H. Abbas, L. E. Lammer, T. F. Ford, G. N. Manley and A. Goldenberg.

C.R.C.—Ng Sze Kwong (Captain), Yew Man Teun, George Lee, Harry Ching, James Wong, Chow, Yat Cheong, Wong Po Keung, Sin Man Ping, Liu Yet Mun, C. F. Lee and Cheung Wing Kui.

Manchesters Regiment.—Rev. Bundle, Lieut. Cavanaugh, Lieut. King, E. Q. M. S. Allan, C. S. M. Keenan, C. Q. M. S. Smith, Sergt. Bird, Corp. Horrocks, Ptes. Walker, Strahan, and Deakin.

ACCIDENT TO CARUSO.

Enrico Caruso, singing at his best in "Samson et Dalila" during a notable performance of that opera at the Metropolitan Opera House, New York on Jan. 27, gave one of the largest audiences of the season an unexpected bit of excitement when he tripped in coming down the steps which form a part of the stage setting for the second act and fell heavily to the stage. He received an ugly wound on the left knee. Dr. Marasotti administered first aid. When he had dressed and bound the injury, Caruso, although suffering from pain and loss of blood, continued the opera.

It was at the end of the second act, when Caruso had finished his great scene with "Dalila," with Mme. Louise Homer in that role, that the accident took place. Cousin and Rother were in the cast and Montaux was conducting. It had been noted by the critics that the performance was going unusually well and the great audience was generous with applause.

Caruso started from the top of the steps to the stage. He seemed to miss the first step entirely, for his fall was complete and heavy. There was instant consternation in the audience as the other members of the company and stage assistants ran to aid the fallen star.

At the conclusion of the opera Mr. Caruso was taken to his apartments in the Hotel Knickerbocker. He was suffering from shock and loss of blood, but it was not thought the injury would prove serious.

KING VICTOR'S DRAMATIC DECISION.

The disclosure by the ex-Italian Premier, Signor Salandra, that had Italy not entered the war in May, 1915, by the side of the Allies, King Victor would have abdicated, does not stand alone as a record of the Italian monarch's sentiment. More dramatic even was his attitude at midnight on August 2, 1914, at the Crown Council summoned in order to decide whether Italy could construe her alliance with the Central Powers as obliging her to co-operate with them against France and Russia.

The then Italian Foreign Minister, the Marquis di San Giuliano, rather a stickler upon legal points, was expounding, although with evident disinclination, the view that Italy could not remain neutral. Mention was even made of the naval plans worked out years before for such an emergency as had then arisen, in accordance with which the combined Italian and Austro-Hungarian fleet were, with the German Goeben, to prohibit the transport of troops from Algeria to France.

It was at that moment that the Italian King, with a note of deep emotion and anger in his voice, remarked: "So long as I remain King of Italy, I will never countenance such a stab in the back of our Latin sister, France," and clinched the matter for all the Ministers present, including San Giuliano, who thereupon repaired to the neighbouring room, where the German Ambassador had been waiting, and informed him that Italy did not consider herself bound or authorised to participate in a war of aggression.

It was exactly twenty minutes past midnight when the German Ambassador, Herr von Flotow, drove away, a broken man who had failed in his mission. Bulow was to succeed him, and to follow him the same way.

TO-DAYS ADVERTISEMENTS.

TO-ALL TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON LIMITED intends at an early date to apply to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL of Hong Kong for a Bill for power to convert its silver capital into gold.

A copy of the proposed Bill can be inspected at the offices of the undersigned.

Dated, this 14th day of February 1919.

DEACON, LOOKER, DEACON & HASTON, Solicitors for THE UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON LIMITED.

Hongkong, Feb. 14, 1919.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICE of the Company, Pedder Street, on FRIDAY, the 28th day of February, 1919, at No. 1, when the subject of a resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the EIGHTH day of February, 1919, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution:—

"That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following, viz:—
"In Article 82 the word 'five' shall be substituted for the word 'four'."

The effect of this resolution will be to increase the maximum number of Directors from four to five.

Dated the Fourteenth day of February, 1919.

By Order of the Board,
J. H. TAGGART, Secretary and Manager.

Hongkong, Feb. 14, 1919.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

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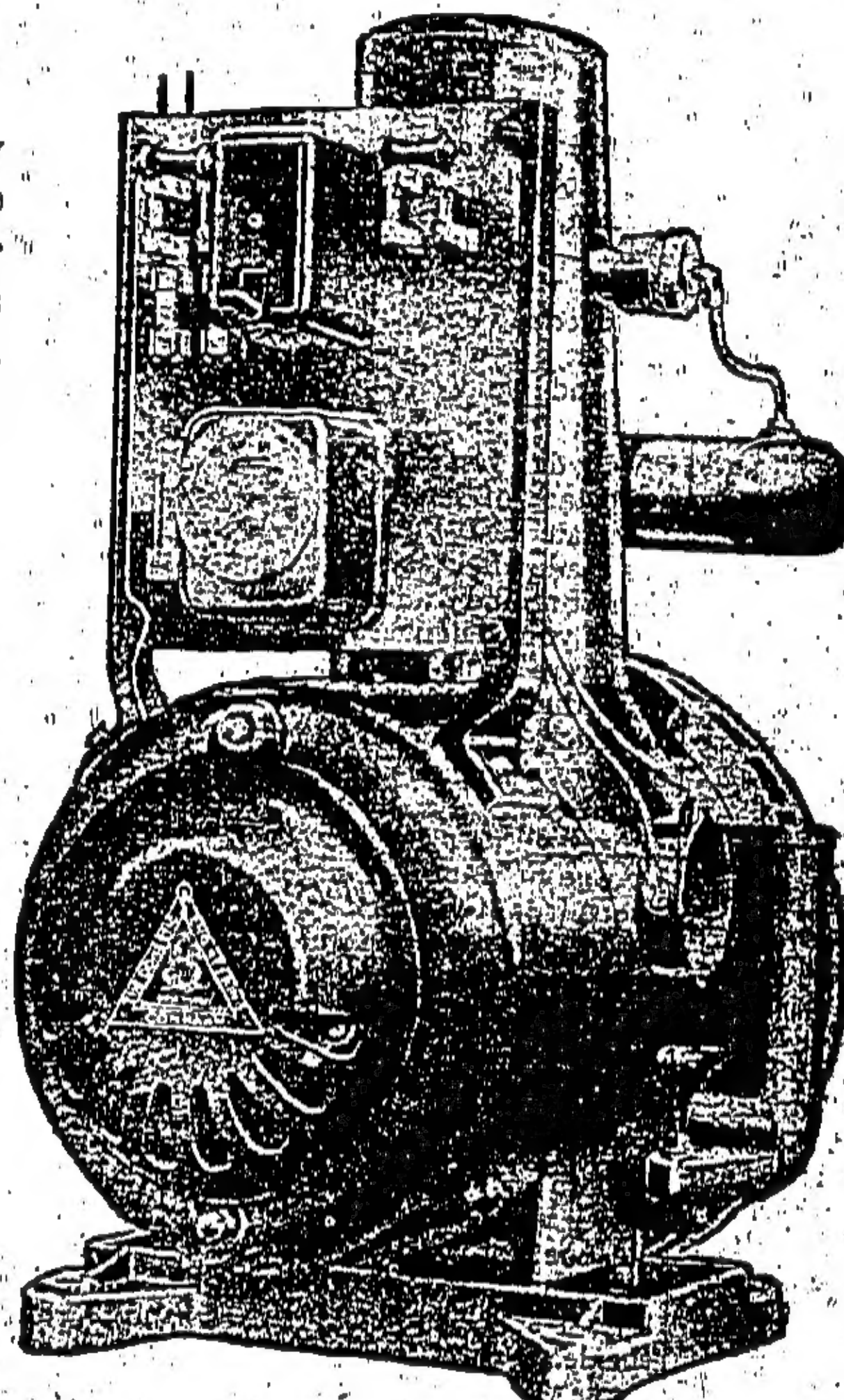
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Vancouver via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Empress of Russia	Canadian O.S. Co.	On 25th Feb., at 3 p.m.
Australian Ports via Japan	Empress of Japan	Canadian O.S. Co.	On 27th Feb.
Australian Ports via Japan	Kamakura Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 19th Feb., at 11 a.m.
Japan	Ayao Maru	Yokohama Specie Co.	On 21st March
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Tokyo via Suez and Amoy	Sushu Maru	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	On 19th Feb.
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Singapore, Rangoon & Calcutta	Akita Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	About 3rd Mar.
Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Tango Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Beginning of March
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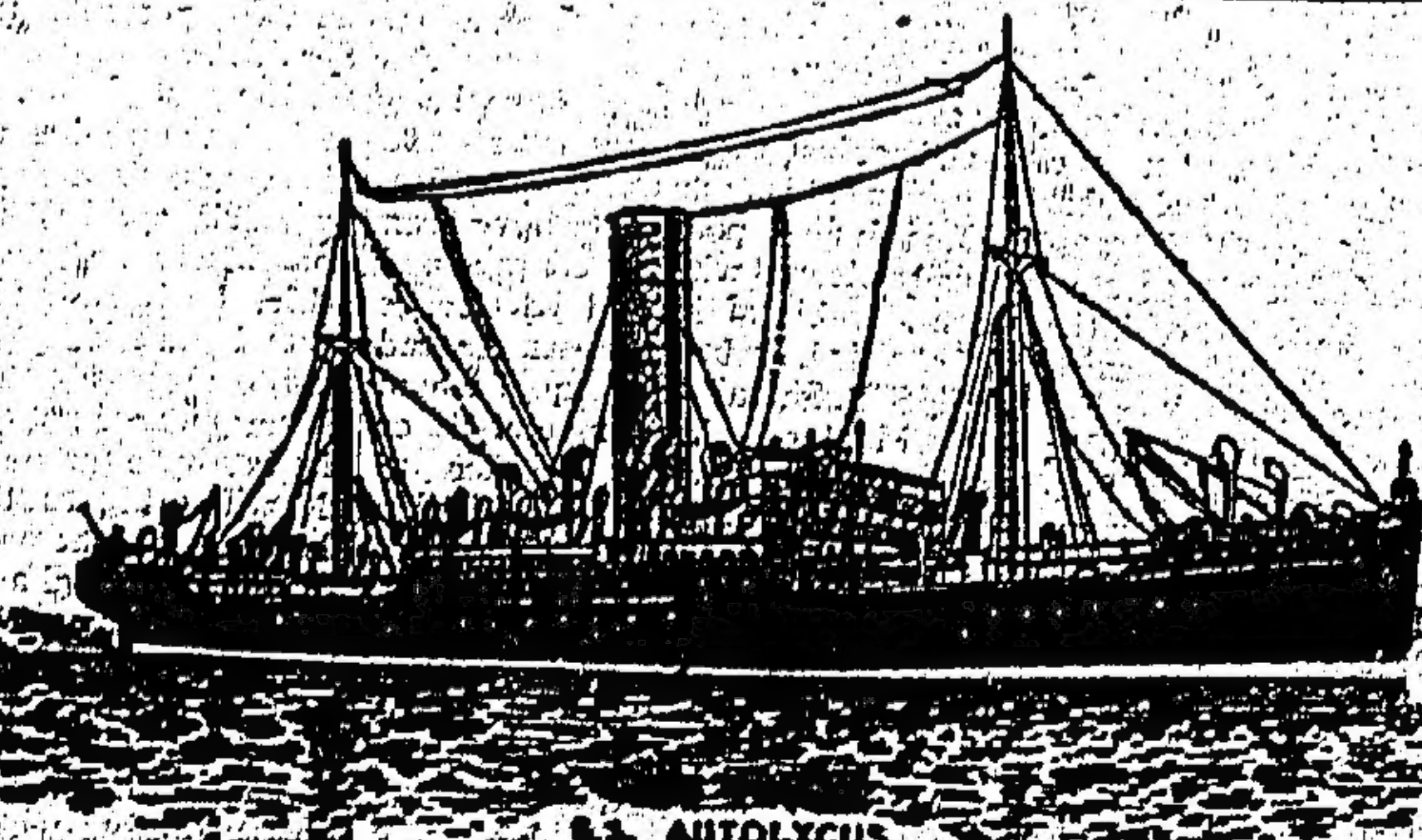
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UNIVERSITY-TAUGHT JOURNALISM.

A conference of British and American journalists was held on Dec. 16 at the Institute of Journalism, Tenterden, E.C., and formed a committee to consider the best means of adapting the university curriculum to the needs of prospective journalists. Mr. W. L. Courtney presided. The visitors from America were Dr. Conliffe (Director of the School of Journalism, Columbia University, New York), Dr. G. E. McLean (secretary of the London branch of the American University Union in Europe), and Dr. Fish (Professor of History in Wisconsin University). Letters in support of the scheme were received from Lord Bryce, Sir W. Robertson-Nicol, Dr. Murray Smith and many others.

Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch wrote:—"If I can be of use to your committee you may certainly command me. The bad writing perpetrated by undergraduates and by the students of the women's colleges, who are worse, is enough to break the heart. We are just acquiring a Chair of French, and we ought to push for Chairs of Education and of Writing, with training in journalism. But the public schools are at the bottom of the evil. Universities should insist that our boys should be as carefully trained as are French boys in writing their mother tongue."

Lord Burnham wrote expressing his sympathy with the object of the conference.

Dr. Conliffe said that in Columbia they had courses in reporting, copy-writing, the history of journalism, and law, especially the law of libel. There were also courses in international relations, and there was a choice of other courses in editorial writing, short stories, and political writing. Replying to questions, he said that shorthand occupied but a small place in American journalism, the working being mostly descriptive. Public speakers, who did not wish to be at the mercy of inexperienced shorthand writers, who frequently indulged in fancies of their own, took their own type-written speeches with them, but the American Press felt it ought to rise to the accuracy of the English Press.

Dr. McLean said he believed that the Press had become more important even than the pulpit, and certainly as influential as the platform.

Mr. Darton, of the Appointments Branch of the Ministry of Labour, said that the Government were prepared to make grants up to £175 a year toward the training of young men, whose careers had been interrupted by the war, at universities or technical colleges. The Minister of Labour would be pleased to cooperate in finding the men required.

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What is there to beat the joy of the open road? However dull the day, there is always, as George Borrow said, the wind on the heath. The road, iron-bound with frost, is hard and firm to the tread. The hedges sparkle with rime. The trees, bare though they be, do not cower and shiver in the wind, but lift their arms to heaven and embrace the gift of the gods.

The hills are black when the cloud rests upon them, but the sun bursts through and the tints of winter glow in its golden radiance. The stream runs quick and heavy, but as you near it you see a shaft of sunlight striking through and making every stone shiver like a pebble of gold on its gravelly bed. Your spirits rise, your body glows, you are ready to sing with the sheer love of life, and as you make your way through the gathering dusk to where the lights of the village twinkle through the gloom, you are bathed in a radiance which makes even your finger-tips tingle.

But take this warning to heart. Do not bank about on a draughty platform at the end of your winter walk. That way lies disaster. Find the shelter of the waiting-room. Or, better still, get to the village hotel and eat and drink to repair the energy you have used.

He that taketh his walks abroad in winter is a wise man, for he shall find it to the joy of his soul and the comfort of his body.

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FEBRUARY 25.
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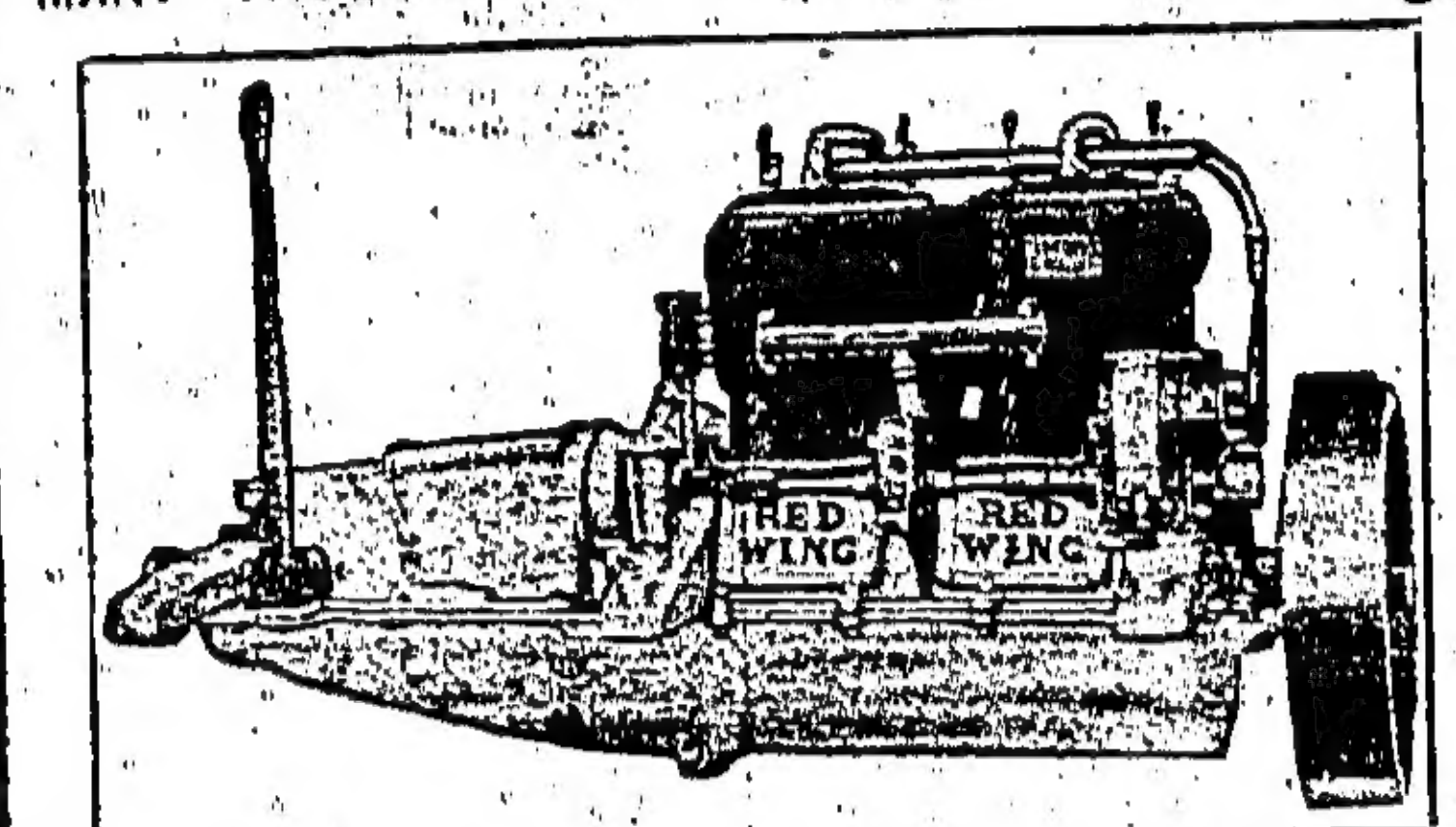
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FEBRUARY 13, 1919.
FANAY, Amer., 1,330 tons, from Manila, Capt. Naichu, B3.

CHANG CHOW, Brit., 1,203 tons, from Bangkok, Capt. Milne, B. & S. C38.

NINGPO, Brit., 1,228 tons, from Canton, Capt. Freer, B. & S. C14.

VULCANUS, Brit., 707 tons, from Phango, Capt. De Bruijn, A. Pet Co.

SHENGKING, Brit., 1,033 tons, from Swatow, Capt. Trebbin, B. & S. C40.

PHEUMPHEN, Brit., 1,090 tons, from Saigon, Capt. de la Sala, We Fat Sing.

TAIHING, Brit., 237 tons, from Wuchow, Capt. Williams, Kung Wing.

TAKAOSAN MARU, Jap., 1,115 tons, from Wuhu, Capt. Gillispie, M.B.E.

DUNERA, Brit., 3,450 tons, from Shanghai, Capt. Fyfe, P. & O. A31.

KOYO MARU, Jap., 839 tons, from Keelung, Capt. Kitajima, O.S.E. B37.

NISSIN MARU, Jap., 681 tons, from Keelung, Capt. Koto, Kokukawa Co.

TELL, Chi., 1,071 tons, from Saigon, Capt. Ganderson, Snowman, L73.

WILLIS, Dutch, 2,928 tons, from Singapore and Java, Capt. Hooykass, J.C.L.

HANOI, French, 730 tons, from Haiphong, Capt. Maran, Lapicque, A6.

KWONG YING, Chi., 47 tons, from Wuchow, Capt. Pans, Sai Keng, wharf.

SHENGKING, Brit., 3 p.m., for Canton, B. & S.

TAKAOSAN MARU, Jap., 4 p.m., for Canton, M.B.E.

SAKAI MARU, No. 3, Jap., 5 p.m., for Nagasaki, Osaka & Co.

TI NGUS, Rus., 3 p.m., for Shanghai, Wing Fat Hong.

SHUN SHING, Chi., 4 p.m., for K.C. Wan Po On Co.

ANNUUS, Brit., 4 p.m., for Shanghai, B. & S.

FEBRUARY 14, 1919.
NISSIN MARU, Jap., 7 a.m., for Keelung, Fukuoka.

TEKSTA, Brit., 9 a.m., for Bombay via Singapore, P. & O.

NAM WAN, Port, 11 a.m., for Quinhon, Uta Best.

LOKSANG, Brit., 9 a.m., for Haiphong via Hanoi, J.M.

VULCANUS, Dutch, 7 a.m., for Tamsui via Amoy, A. Pet Co.

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The four sloops which are under the command of Commander G. P. Russell, R.N., of H.M.S. Geranium have been sent from the Mediterranean to the China Station to assist in clearing the minefield which was laid early in September, 1917, by the raider Wolf in the vicinity of the Anamba Islands.

The clearance of this minefield has already started, five ships, the Tai Lee, Fangkor, Kedah, Sri Muar and Hook Lee having been requisitioned and fitted out locally for this duty. This group of minesweepers is under the command of Lieut. A. R. Chalmers, R.N.R., and they have so far swept up and destroyed five German mines but owing to the N.E. monsoon, sweeping is naturally delayed for this operation can only be carried out when the weather is suitable. The Admiralty Collier, Hang sang, is attending on this group of minesweepers and replenishes these ships with coal, water and provisions.

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